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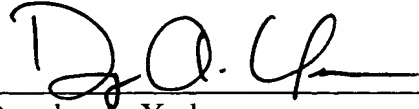
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None of the art cited on the attached PTO Form 1449 is believed to disclose or suggest the invention recited in the claims of the above-identified application. It is therefore believed that the claimed invention is patentably distinguishable over these references.

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	AA	421,656	02/1890	Blanken			
	AB	993,119	05/1911	Stannard			
	AC	1,398,203	11/1921	Schmidt			
	AD	2,136,088	11/1938	Stevens			
	AE	2,164,484	07/1939	Wolfe			
	AF	2,254,466	09/1941	Albert			
	AG	2,281,209	04/1942	Smith			
	AH	2,452,366	10/1948	Freund			
	AI	2,556,591	06/1951	Loxley			
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	AL	2 199 803	07/1988	Great Britain			
	AM	WO 98/17153	04/1998	PCT			
	AN	DE 199 00 602 C 1	07/2000	Germany			Yes Abstract only
	AO	WO 00/69386	11/2000	WIPO			
	AP	EP 1108410 A2	06/2001	EPO			
	AQ	WO 00/07537	02/2000	WIPO			

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)			
	AR		"Paramount Bed" brochure in Japanese; 63 pages
	AS		A Hill-Rom Solution, "Med-Surg Bed Accessories" 1997
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	BA	2,605,151	07/1952	Shampaine			
	BB	2,644,173	07/1953	James			
	BC	2,710,976	06/1955	Martensen			
	BD	2,722,017	11/1955	Burst et al.			
	BE	2,734,104	02/1956	Gollhofer			
	BF	2,766,463	10/1956	Bendersky			
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	CB	3,021,534	02/1962	Hausted			
	CC	3,053,568	09/1962	Miller			
	CD	3,055,020	09/1962	Mann			
	CE	3,099,440	07/1963	Burzlauff			
	CF	3,104,402	09/1963	Johnson			
	CG	3,112,500	12/1963	MacDonald			
	CH	3,138,805	06/1964	Piazza			
	CI	3,148,387	09/1964	Sarnie, Jr., et al.			
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	EB	3,406,772	10/1968	Ahrent et al.			
	EC	3,456,269	07/1969	Goodman			
	ED	3,486,176	12/1969	Murcott			
	EE	3,506,989	04/1970	Ross et al.			
	EF	3,526,008	09/1970	Pruim			
	EG	3,585,659	06/1971	Burst et al.			
	EH	3,593,350	07/1971	Knight et. al.			
	EI	3,610,685	10/1971	Lay			
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	FB	3,806,109	04/1974	Weber et al.			
	FC	3,845,511	11/1974	Benoit et al.			
	FD	3,851,345	12/1974	Benoit et al.			
	FE	3,865,434	02/1975	Sully			
	FF	3,877,090	04/1975	Schutz			
	FG	3,893,197	07/1975	Ricke			
	FH	3,897,973	08/1975	Long et al.			
	FI	3,905,591	09/1975	Schorr et. al.			
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	GB	4,103,376	08/1978	Benoit et al.				
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	GD	4,139,917	02/1979	Fenwick				
	GE	4,168,099	09/1979	Jacobs et al.				
	GF	4,183,015	01/1980	Drew et al.				
	GG	4,186,456	02/1980	Huempfner				
	GH	4,214,326	07/1980	Spann				
	GI	4,215,446	08/1980	Mahoney				
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	HB	4,258,445	03/1981	Zur			
	HC	4,312,500	01/1982	Janssen			
	HD	4,336,621	06/1982	Schwartz et al.			
	HE	4,370,765	02/1983	Webber			
	HF	4,409,695	10/1983	Johnston et al.			
	HG	4,435,862	03/1984	King et al.			
	HH	4,439,880	04/1984	Koncelik et al.			
	HI	4,453,732	06/1984	Assanah et al.			
	HJ	4,477,935	10/1984	Griffin			
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	ID	4,557,471	12/1985	Pazzini			
	IE	4,607,402	08/1986	Pollard			
	IF	4,612,679	09/1986	Mitchell			
	IG	4,653,129	03/1987	Kuck et al.			
	IH	4,654,903	04/1987	Chubb, et al.			
	II	4,670,923	06/1987	Gabriel et al.			
	IJ	4,672,698	06/1987	Sands			
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	JC	4,685,159	08/1987	Oetiker			
	JD	4,704,750	11/1987	Wheelock			
	JE	4,710,049	12/1987	Chang			
	JF	4,710,992	12/1987	Falwell et al.			
	JG	4,745,647	05/1988	Goodwin			
	JH	4,747,171	05/1988	Einsele et al.			
	JI	4,751,754	06/1988	Bailey et al.			
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	KC	4,825,486	05/1989	Kimura et al.			
	KD	4,827,545	05/1989	Arp			
	KE	4,839,933	06/1989	Plewright et al.			
	KF	4,858,260	08/1989	Failor et al.			
	KG	4,862,529	09/1989	Peck			
	KH	4,862,530	09/1989	Chen			
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	LC	4,926,457	05/1990	Poehner et al.			
	LD	4,941,221	07/1990	Kanzler			
	LE	4,944,055	07/1990	Shainfeld			
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	ND	5,097,550	03/1992	Marra, Jr.			
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	NF	5,121,756	06/1992	Koledin			
	NG	5,129,117	07/1992	Celestina et al.			
	NH	5,168,589	12/1992	Stroh et al.			
	NI	5,175,897	01/1993	Marra, Jr.			
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	OC	5,197,156	03/1993	Stryker et al.			
	OD	D336,577	06/1993	Celestina et al.			
	OE	5,216,768	06/1993	Bodine et al.			
	OF	5,222,132	06/1993	Rioux, Jr.			
	OG	5,230,113	07/1993	Foster et al.			
	OH	5,235,258	08/1993	Schuerch			
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	PB	5,325,551	07/1994	Tappel et al.			
	PC	5,365,623	11/1994	Springer			
	PD	5,370,111	12/1994	Reeder			
	PE	5,377,370	01/1995	Foster et al.			
	PF	5,381,571	01/1995	Gabhart			
	PG	5,384,927	01/1995	Mardero et al.			
	PH	5,394,580	03/1995	Foster et al.		-	
	PI	5,408,710	04/1995	Garman et al.			
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	QC	5,454,126	10/1995	Foster et al.			
	QD	5,455,973	10/1995	Brumfield et al.			
	QE	5,479,666	01/1996	Foster et al.			
	QF	5,481,772	01/1996	Glynn et al.			
	QG	5,483,709	01/1996	Foster et al.			
	QH	5,485,699	01/1996	Gabhart			
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	RB	5,542,136	08/1996	Tappel			
	RC	5,542,138	08/1996	Williams et al.			
	RD	5,557,817	09/1996	Haddock			
	RE	5,564,784	10/1996	Felling			
	RF	5,575,025	11/1996	Peters			
	RG	5,577,277	11/1996	Sundberg, et al.			
	RH	5,577,279	11/1996	Foster et al.			
	RI	5,586,346	12/1996	Stacy et al.			
	RJ	5,611,096	03/1997	Bartlett et al.			
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	SB	5,678,267	10/1997	Kinder				
	SC	5,689,839	11/1997	Langanieri, et al.				
	SD	5,715,548	02/1998	Weismiller et al.				
	SE	5,732,423	03/1998	Weismiller et al.				
	SF	5,737,781	04/1998	Votel				
	SG	5,745,937	05/1998	Weismiller et al.				
	SH	5,745,939	05/1998	Flick et al.				
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	TC	5,802,640	09/1998	Ferrand et al.			
	TD	5,832,549	11/1998	Le Pallec et al.			
	TE	5,864,900	02/1999	Landau			
	TF	5,878,452	03/1999	Brooke et al.			
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	TH	5,987,666	11/1999	Zigmont			
	TI	6,008,598	12/1999	Luff et al.			
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	UB	6,089,593	07/2000	Hanson et al.			
	UC	6,182,310	02/2001	Weismiller et al.			
	UD	6,240,580	06/2001	Hamilton et al.			
	UE	6,253,397	07/2001	Bartow et al.			
	UF	6,347,422	02/2002	Heavrin			
	UG	6,360,385	03/2002	Lewandowski			
	UH	6,363,552	04/2002	Lewandowski			
	UI	6,374,440	04/2002	Thim, Jr.			
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	VB	6,622,364	09/2003	Hamilton et al.			
	VC	6,640,360	11/2003	Hornbach et al.			
	VD	6,611,979	09/2003	Welling et al.			
	VE	6,662,391	12/2003	Wilson et al.			
	VF	6,668,399	12/2003	Malstaff et al.			
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